



“Give a little. HELP A LOT!”

September Newsletter 2012

CFC EXCITED FOR FALL CAMPAIGN

The 2012 Campaign is right around the corner, and we want to thank you for helping raise the needed funds for local, national and international charities.

Over the past 51 years, Federal workers from across the U.S. have donated more than \$7 billion through the Combined Federal Campaign, making it one of the most powerful philanthropic forces in the world.

The most effective and efficient channels for philanthropic giving, the CFC includes a huge variety of causes and gives Federal workers an accountable and flexible way to donate to the charities of their choice.

If you haven't heard, last year's local campaign was a success! **In 2011 3 Rivers/PA West CFC raised \$1,130,178 with 4,171 donors!** We cannot thank you enough...THANK YOU!

We hope to continue with the success of the 2011 campaign, and reach our goal of \$1.1 million for the upcoming campaign.

So how can you raise \$1.1 million? Please attend the upcoming Campaign Manager/Keyworker Training in September, read your CFC e-mails, check out www.3riverscfc.org and get excited about the CFC. And don't forget to attend the 6th **Annual CFC Chili Cook-off and Charity Fair** in September!

Please remember our NEW region includes: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Bedford, Butler, Cambria, Clarion, Fayette, Forest, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Mercer, Somerset, Venango, Washington, and Westmoreland Counties (PA). Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio and Wetzel Counties (WV). Belmont and Monroe Counties (OH). Please include Federal Agency offices and Federal Employees located within our campaign region.

For more information on the 2012 campaign visit www.3riverscfc.org.

CFC ANNOUNCES MERGER WITH CFC OF THE LAUREL HIGHLANDS

It is hoped that the merger with the CFC of the Laurel Highlands will help reduce campaign costs, raise more funds for charities, allow more

charity participation and to satisfy you the donor.

Our new CFC territory includes: Bedford, Cambria, Indiana & Somerset Counties. This will allow you to donate to local charities within our new region and we will work with all federal employees with facilities within the above counties.

If you have any questions regarding the CFC merger, please contact the 3 Rivers/PA West CFC office at 412-330-7667.

CFC ANNOUNCES ON-LINE GIVING FOR ALL FEDERAL EMPLOYEES



The 3 Rivers/PA West CFC is proud to offer CFC NEXUS for making your CFC payroll deduction donation on-line. Making your donation on-line offers a variety of benefits

including a charity search tool, verification of the charity codes you enter, mathematical accuracy, and increased privacy and confidentiality...Not to mention LESS PAPER!

One time CREDIT CARD donations can also be made through CFC Nexus (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express). The site is 100% secure and compliant with the Payment Card Industry standards, which means that no credit card information is stored.

MAKE AN ONLINE DONATION TODAY by visiting the campaign website: www.3riverscfc.org. All online donors will begin with a simple registration which will save your information for future years.

CFC NEXUS is a 6th generation OPM acknowledged online E-Pledging system designed specifically for the CFC community. With secure online searchable charity catalog and pledging, year to year comparison of campaigns, and graphical analysis tools, CFC Nexus is a complete e-pledging package that is extremely efficient. We encourage you to visit www.cfcnexus.org to learn more about this exciting new pledging program and demo the online pledging process.

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SELECT FEDERAL AGENCIES CAN GIVE ON-LINE VIA EMPLOYEE EXPRESS (EEX)

Select Federal Agencies have the option to contribute to the CFC on-line by using either EEX or the traditional pledge card. Look for the CFC icon on EEX starting October. Not all EEX agencies are participating. A final list is below and is on-line at www.3riverscfc.org and in the directory.

If your agency is participating in the EEX on-line giving program (not all EEX agencies are participating) and you are not already an EEX system user, you may subscribe by going to the EEX website (www.employeeexpress.gov).

More detailed information pertaining to the use of EEX can be obtained from your CFC Keyworker.

Local Agencies with EEX On-Line Giving:

Comptroller of the Currency
DOE - Office of Inspector General
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
FAA
Federal Executive Board
Federal Railroad Administration
Geological Survey
GSA
International Trade Administration
National Labor Relations Board
National Credit Union Administration
National Park Service of Western PA
Office of Surface Mining
Office of the Solicitor (Field)
OPM
Railroad Retirement Board
Social Security Administration

2012 DONOR THANK YOU GIFTS

CFC Thank You Awards – Our small way of saying thanks! Every person, regardless of income or position, has the opportunity to be a leader when giving through the CFC. With a payroll deduction plan that spreads a gift over 12 months, giving is easy.

TO RECEIVE YOUR GIFT, YOU MUST CHECK THE GIFT BOX ON THE 2012 DONOR FORM.

2012 GIFTS:

Contributor CFC Pen – Every donor that makes a contribution will receive a green CFC pen.

Silver Level Recognition – Silver Level Donors (\$250 - \$499) will receive a green Luggage Tag.

Gold Level Recognition – Gold Level Donors (\$500 - \$749) will receive a handy CFC Calculator and Post-It note combo.

Eagle Level Recognition - Eagle Level Donors (\$750 - \$999) will receive a green hot/cold beverage Tumbler/Cup

Gold Eagle Club Award

For those donors who are motivated to give at higher levels, special recognition is well deserved. As a constant reminder of their generosity and enthusiasm, a 2012 U.S. Mint Proof Set will be given for donors.

Requirements: Annual gift of \$1000+

TO REDUCE COSTS, PLEASE KNOW GIFTS ARE OF LIMITED QUANTITIES.

ANNOUNCING OUR 2012 CORPORATE SPONSORS*

2012 GOLD EAGLE SPONORS

Allegent Community Federal Credit Union
GEICO

2012 EAGLE SPONORS

BlueCross BlueShield - Federal Employee Program

2012 BRONZE SPONORS

NARFE Premier Federal Credit Union

*The 3 Rivers/Pennsylvania West CFC acknowledge the sponsors' generous contributions, but this does not constitute an endorsement of any of the sponsors' products or services.

2012 3 Rivers/Pennsylvania West CFC Thank You Gifts
(Donor MUST check award box on donor form to receive gift)

Everyone Gift - CFC Pen
A green CFC pen.

Silver Award
Donation - \$250 - \$449
CFC Luggage Tag

Gold Award
Donation - \$450 - \$749
CFC Calculator with Stick Notes

Eagle Award
Donation \$750 - \$999
CFC 14oz Acrylic Tumbler

Gold Eagle Award
Donation \$1000 +
2012 United States Mint Proof Set contains 14 coins in stunning proof quality displayed in three protective lenses. Each of these 2012-dated coins bears the "S" mint mark of the United States Mint at San Francisco.

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ANNUAL CFC GOLF OUTING

October 5, 2012

Birdsfoot Golf Club

REGISTRATION DEADLINE 9/14/2012

On behalf of the 3 RIVERS/PENNSYLVANIA WEST COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN, I cordially invite all current and former Federal Employees, Military Personnel and their guests to our annual fall golf event, sponsored by GEICO. For the first time we are headed to Birdsfoot Golf Club in Freeport, PA. With morning coffee and pastry, lunch, soft drinks, bottled water, draft beer, favors and a hot buffet, followed by lots of prizes, you still can't beat the deal.

While we try to promote a sense of community among the government work force and military, and to boost the awareness of the CFC, we do this by having a low-key, fun day. This is not a traditional fund raiser, although we do have a few small events benefiting the participating charities, and a very short program related to the campaign. PLEASE KNOW THAT THE ENTRY FEE COVERS GOLF, CART, SNACKS, LUNCH, HOT DINNER, DRINKS, GIFTS, AND DOES NOT ACT AS A DONATION.

Since last year's outing was such a success, we will keep the four player scramble format. We will still have a handicapping and flight system so that you will be playing against teams of similar ability, and everyone will have a chance to win. Last year the scramble seemed to speed up play and avoid delay recording scores and awarding prizes. We encourage everyone to form a foursome, but we will form teams from other entries if you cannot.

Please complete the registration form (download at www.3riverscfc.org) and submit payment to the Federal Executive Board, Moorhead Federal Building, 1000 Liberty Ave., Room 1303, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 by September 14th. If it comes down to the wire for spots, paid entries will be honored before any entries sent without payment. The first name on the form will be the primary contact. Please tell your group to arrive no later than 8:30 AM. Directions are on the course's website at www.birdsfoot.com

While we may get cooperation from the course regarding late additions, substitutions and cancellations, we cannot guarantee entry after the deadline (or if we get filled up before September 14) so don't put it off - enter right away! No refunds after we give them a final number 7 days before the event (course policy is a rain check rather than refund).

Call or email questions or suggestions.

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3 Rivers/Pennsylvania West CFC
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**WANT TO HELP WITH GOLF EVENT? CALL
AMY ERVIN AT 412-330-7667.**

**3 RIVERS/PENNSYLVANIA WEST CFC
2012 ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
SPONSORED BY GEICO**

The "3 Rivers/Pennsylvania West Combined Federal Campaign" invites you to celebrate the end of another golf season and another successful campaign. In 2011 we raised over \$1,130,178 and we hope to reach \$1.1 million in 2012!

Join current and former Federal Employees, military personnel and their guests for a day of fun, food and fellowship. This is a low key, fun event with prizes for all skill levels.

**Friday, October 5, 2012
Four Player Scramble - 9:00 AM Shotgun Start
Birdsfoot Golf Club - Freeport, PA**

\$75.00 per golfer includes golf, cart, morning coffee and pastry, lunch, hot buffet dinner, beer, soft drinks, water, favors and prizes.

Since last year's outing was such a success, we will keep the four player scramble format. We will still have handicapping and flights, so everyone has a chance to win. We encourage everyone to form a foursome, but we will form teams from other entries if you cannot.

Deadline for entries is September 14th. If we fill player limit, spots will be filled in order of PAID entries received.

For more information and additional registration forms, visit www.3riverscfc.org or contact Amy Ervin at threeriverscfc@verizon.net or call 412-330-7667.

Course information, including driving directions, at www.birdsfoot.com

Names	Agency/Unit/Dept.	Total
1. (Contact) Name: _____	/	\$75
Work Address: _____		
Phone/e-mail: _____		
2. Name: _____	/	\$150
Work Address: _____		
Phone/e-mail: _____		
3. Name: _____	/	\$225
Work Address: _____		
Phone/e-mail: _____		
4. Name: _____	/	\$300
Work Address: _____		
Phone/e-mail: _____		

(Phone/e-mail requested so we may contact you about details and possible updates)

Send this REGISTRATION by SEPTEMBER 14th along with check made out to:
Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board
Moorhead Federal Building
1000 Liberty Avenue, Room 1303
Pittsburgh, PA 15222



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DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE "KING OF THE KIDNEY BEAN" OR "SOUP KING"?

The 3 Rivers/PA West CFC is hosting its "6th Annual Chili for Charity contest" on September 27, 2012 and you are invited to be a contestant.

We are seeking 10 cooks to whip up their special chili or soup and enter the "Chili for Charity" contest. All entries will receive a special gift. The winner will receive a wonderful prize and of course, the sole title as **"King of the Kidney Bean" or "Soup King"**.

To enter call Amy Ervin at 412-330-7667.

UPCOMING LOCAL CFC EVENTS:

KEYWORKER TRAININGS

September 17, 2012
U.S. Court House
Johnstown, PA

September 20, 2012
VA Butler Hospital
Butler, PA

September 25, 2012
EPA Office - Wheeling
West Virginia, WV

September 27, 2012
Moorhead Federal Building
Pittsburgh, PA

CHILI COOK OFF

September 27, 2012
Pittsburgh Chili Cook-Off & Charity Fair
Moorhead Federal Building
Pittsburgh, PA

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

October 5, 2012
9:00 AM Shotgun Start
Birdsfoot Golf Club - Freeport, PA

CFC CAMPAIGN

October 1 - December 1
CFC Solicitation

CFC AWARDS EVENT

January - (Date to be determined)

* CFC Campaign Managers will be notified of final date/time of all CFC events. More events to come.

MEET THE LOCAL FEDERAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (LFCC)

The LFCC provides oversight for the local campaign in conformance with the CFC regulations and the policies established by OPM.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair
Dr. Anthony Cugini - National Energy Technology Laboratory

Co-Chair
Sharon Appel - OPM Boyers (ROC)

Co-Chair
Michael Whitelock - U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development

George Buck - Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board

John "Casey" Lengyel - 911th AW

LFCC MEMBERS

Lori Blauser - OPM Boyers (FIS)

Amy Friel Capretto - Veterans Affairs Butler

Penny Kaczmarkiewicz - VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System

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Lt Col Brian Schill - 911th AW

Ginette Simpson - U.S. Postal Service

Debbie Storch - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Joyce Voynick - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Sue Wargo - CENTERS for Disease Control & Prevention